



General Assembly

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Proposed Bill No. 613

LCO No. 1985

Referred to Committee on Government Administration and Elections

Introduced by:

SEN. HERLIHY, 8th Dist.

AN ACT CONCERNING BALLOTS FAXED BY MEMBERS OF THE UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 That chapter 145 of the general statutes be amended to require that
- 2 any ballot cast by a member of the armed forces of the United States
- 3 who has an APO address or is serving outside the territorial limits of
- 4 the several states be counted if received by the municipal clerk not
- 5 later than the fifth business day after the election, if such ballot is also
- 6 transmitted to the municipal clerk by fax before the close of the polls
- 7 on election day.

Statement of Purpose:

To ensure that absentee ballots cast by members of the armed forces are counted if the ballot is faxed on the day of the election and the signed and dated original ballot is received by election officials by the fifth business day after the election.